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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The undersigned herewith requests the Examiner to consider the art listed in the attached Disclosure Statement (PTO 1449) in examination of the above referenced U.S. patent application. Copies of the listed Art are enclosed.

DE 198 59 001 A1 and DE 3743 404 A1 disclose plates for securing a rope having an axial passage for the rope and a channel extending radially from the axial passage in the plane of the plate for passage of the rope and for securing the rope using a knot below the radial section.

DE 85 15 323 and DE 81 04 436 disclose seats for swinging ropes.

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